

Notice of Exemption

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County of San Mateo

From: Caltrans District 4 Office of Maintenance Environmental
111 Grand Ave
Oakland, CA 94612

Project Title: SR-1 San Gregorio Embankment and Drainage Facilities Repair DO (EA 1V510)

Project Applicant: Caltrans

Project Location - Specific: The project is located on State Route (SR-) 1 in San Mateo County, near San Gregorio, from post mile (PM) 15.9 to 17.9.

Project Location - City: Unincorporated San Mateo County (San Gregorio)

Project Location - County: San Mateo

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project:

Caltrans proposes repairing a storm damaged slopes and drainage facilities at multiple locations on State Route (SR-) 1 in San Mateo County from post mile (PM) 15.9 to 17.9. Between April 10 and April 12, 2026, an intense storm system produced heavy rainfall that generated concentrated stormwater runoff, causing erosion of the roadway embankment, damage to drainage facilities, and slope failures. Additional storms between April 20 and April 22 produced further runoff that enlarged the slope failures and continued to undermine the affected embankments. The storm damage has compromised the stability of the roadway embankment and disrupted the drainage system, allowing uncontrolled runoff to continue eroding the slopes. Active erosion remains ongoing and poses an imminent threat to the roadway prism.

The proposed project will remove loose and failed slope material along both sides of SR-1 between PM 15.9 and 17.9. Eroded slopes will then be reconstructed with rock slope protection (RSP) and RSP fabric. Damaged asphalt concrete dikes and drainage features will be restored. The existing approximately 30-foot asphalt concrete ditch at PM 17.9 will be cleaned out both upstream and downstream and then reconstructed. The storm-damaged down drain at PM 15.9 will be removed and a new drainage inlet and asphalt dike will be installed to restore positive drainage and safely convey stormwater runoff away from the repaired embankment. Where necessary, subdrains will be installed to stabilize the repaired slopes. Disturbed areas will be hydroseeded

after construction to prevent future erosion. Traffic control will be required during construction.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Caltrans

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Caltrans

Exempt Status (**check one**):

- ☐ Ministerial (Sec. 21080(b)(1); 15268);
- ☐ Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a));
- ☐ Emergency Project (Sec. 21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c));
- ☒ Categorical Exemption. State type and section number: PRC 21084; 14 CCR 15301 Class 1
- ☐ Statutory Exemptions. State code number: _____

Reasons why project is exempt:

Class 1 Existing Facilities. The project is not anticipated to result in any environmental impacts. The project contains a number of standardized project measures which are employed on most, if not all, Caltrans projects and were not developed in response to any specific environmental impacts resulting from the project.

Lead Agency Contact Person: Juliane Smith

Phone number: (510) 926-0426

If filed by applicant:

1. Attach certified document of exemption finding.
2. Has a Notice of Exemption been filed by the public agency approving the project?
☐ Yes ☒ No

Signature: Juliane Smith Date: 9/22/26

Title: Senior Environmental Scientist (NEPA/CEQA Specialist)

☒ Signed by Lead Agency ☒ Signed by Applicant

Date Received for filing at OPR: _____

Authority cited: Sections 21083 and 21110, Public Resources Code.

Reference: Sections 21108, 21152, and 21152.1, Public Resources Code.